United States District Court

DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Signature of Judicial Officer

CASE NUMBER: 04-MOUD 68-CAC

GARY J. ADAMS 9 Brookvale Street Dorchester, MA 02124

Name & Title of Judicial Officer

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(Name and Address of Defendant)

knowledge and belief.	On or about	August 13, 2004	in	Suffolk	county, in the
	District of	Massachusetts	_ defendant(s) di	d, (Track Statutory Languaç	ge of Offense)
after having previously affecting commerce, at		d of a crime punishable by im	prisonment for a t	term exceeding one yo	ear, possess in or
in violation of Title	18	United States Code, Section(s)	922(g)(1)	·
I further state that I	am a(n)	ATF Special Agent	and t	hat this complaint is b	ased on the following
facts:		Official Title			
See attached affidavit	of Special Age	nt Lisa Rudnicki			
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Continued on the at	tached sheet	and made a part hereof:	Yes	No No	
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Sworn to before me	and subscrib	ed in my presence,			
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AFFIDAVIT OF LISA A. RUDNICKI

- I, Lisa A. Rudnicki, being duly sworn, do depose and state that:
- 1. I am employed as a Special Agent with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives ("ATF"), and have been so employed since February 1996. In that capacity, I investigate numerous violations of the federal firearms statutes and have participated in multiple investigations relating to the unlawful possession of firearms and ammunition.
- 2. As a result of my participation in these investigations and the training I have received as an ATF Special Agent, I am familiar with federal firearms laws and know that it is a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1) for any person who has been previously convicted of a felony to possess a firearm or ammunition in or affecting interstate commerce.
- 3. This affidavit is submitted in support of a complaint and arrest warrant for GARY J. ADAMS(YOB: 1976) for possession of ammunition by a convicted felon, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1). The facts stated herein are based upon my personal involvement in this investigation and my discussions with other law enforcement officers involved with this investigation. In submitting this affidavit, however, I have not included each and every fact known to me about the

investigation, but only those facts which I believe are sufficient to establish the requisite probable cause.

- 4. At about 7:47 p.m. on August 13, 2004, Boston Police Officers Douglas McGrath and Michael Paillant were dispatched to the area of Corbet and Hopkins streets relating to a complaint about a group of men allegedly dealing drugs. The men were described as wearing white t-shirts and baseball caps on backwards. When they arrived, the officers observed a group of about 8 or 9 men, several of whom met this description. The officers contacted dispatch for additional officers to respond.
- 5. Officers Paillant and McGrath approached the group of men, with their badges displayed and identifying themselves as Boston Police officers. Officer Paillant told one of the men-later identified as ADAMS-to put down his beer bottle, which ADAMS did. Within a few minutes other police officers had arrived on the scene.
- 6. Some of the officers questioned the men and pat frisked them. Officer McGrath talked to and frisked ADAMS, who identified himself to Officer McGrath.
- 7. During a search of the area where the men were congregated, Officer Paillant looked inside a 1991 black Acura Integra, Massachusetts registration number 69EK34, parked nearby and observed the handle end of a firearm protruding from under the driver's seat. Officers asked whose car it was but none of

the men responded.

- 8. Officer McGrath placed ADAMS under arrest for public drinking and advised him of his Miranda rights. ADAMS acknowledged that he understood his rights. Meanwhile, another officer ran the license plate on the Acura Integra and determined it was registered to a Gary Adams, which turned out to be the arrested subject's father.
- 9. Officer Lyden asked ADAMS if he knew what was in the car and ADAMS said that he did. Lyden asked whether he had a permit for it and ADAMS said he did not. Lyden further informed ADAMS that he (Lyden) knew ADAMS' father because Lyden and ADAMS' father had previously worked together. ADAMS' father is also a Boston Police Officer. ADAMS asked what would happen to his father and Lyden stated that if no one took responsibility for the gun, a patrol supervisor would be called in and the matter would be turned over to the courts. ADAMS stated in substance then to "take me to jail" and that it was his gun. ADAMS further stated in substance: "The gun is mine, leave my father out of it." ADAMS also stated that he had left the car there a few days earlier.
- 10. The firearm recovered was a .357 Smith & Wesson revolver, serial number 8K6760. It was loaded with 6 rounds of .357 caliber ammunition, all bearing a headstamp of CBC.
 - 11. On September 15, 2004, ATF Special Agent Philip Ball

examined the ammunition and advised me that the ammunition was manufactured outside of Massachusetts and therefore, has traveled in interstate commerce. Smith & Wesson firearms are manufactured in Springfield, Massachusetts, and, thus far, there is no evidence to establish that this gun has traveled in interstate commerce.

- 12. The Boston Police Department Firearms Unit tested the firearm and determined that it functioned normally and rendered an opinion that the ammunition was in fact ammunition.
- 13. I have reviewed ADAMS' criminal history, which reveals that prior to August 13, 2004, ADAMS was convicted of a crime punishable by more than one year imprisonment. That is, in May 2002, ADAMS was convicted in Dorchester District Court of assault and battery on a police officer, resisting arrest and escape. In June 1995, ADAMS was convicted in Dorchester District Court of distribution of a Class B controlled substance and in January 1995, ADAMS was convicted in Dorchester District Court of possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.
- 14. On September 16, 2004, Program Analyst Stephanie

 Forbes of the ATF Firearms Enforcement Branch advised me that a search of ATF records revealed that ADAMS has not applied for or received restoration of his federal firearms privileges.
- 15. On September 16, 2004, Valerie McCarthy, of the Massachusetts Governors Pardon Board, advised me that ADAMS has

neither received nor requested a pardon.

16. Based on the foregoing, there is probable cause to believe that ADAMS, having previously been convicted of a crime punishable by a term of imprisonment of more than one year, possessed ammunition in and affecting commerce, to wit: 6 rounds of .357 caliber ammunition, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 922(g)(1).

LISA A. RÚDNICKI

Special Agent

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco

Firearms & Explosives

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 25 day of October 2004.

LAWRENCE P. COHEN

United States Magistrate Judge

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Criminal Case Cover Sheet	U.S. District Court - District of Massachusetts					
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City Dorchester	_ Related Case Information:					
County Suffolk	Same Defendant Magistrate Judge Case Numb Search Warrant Case Number	Case No. New Defendant er				
Defendant Information:						
Defendant Name Gary J. Adams		Juvenile Yes X No				
Alias Name Joseph J. Adams						
Address 9 Brookvale Street, Dorchester, MA						
Birth date (Year only): 1976 SSN (la	st 4 #): <u>7615</u> Sex <u>M</u> Race:	Black Nationality: U.S.				
Defense Counsel if known:	Ad	ldress:				
Bar Number:						
U.S. Attorney Information:						
AUSA Sandra S. Bower	Bar Numb	per if applicable 0787700 Florida				
Interpreter: Yes X No	List language and/o	r dialect:				
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I hereby certify that the case numbers of any prior proceedings before a Magistrate Judge are accurately set forth above.						
Date: 10-25 -04	Signature of AUSA: 🛇 🗆	ndra S. Bower				

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